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**Major storm headed toward Wisconsin
Plan now for possible problems**

(MADISON) – A strong winter storm is expected to affect much of Wisconsin starting Wednesday night lasting through Thursday. The National Weather Service is predicting snowfall reaching almost 12 inches from Grant County northeast to Door County with smaller but significant accumulations elsewhere.

Now is the time to get ready for the storm. Get your vehicles and home ready. Here are a few simple things you can do:

- Have an **emergency winter weather survival kit** in your vehicle. Your kit should include water, snack food such as energy bars or raisins, first aid kit and booster cables. If you have a cell phone make sure you have a power adapter you can plug into the lighter. You can find more tip kits on our website... <http://readywisconsin.wi.gov>
- **Check the roads and take your time.** You may need to delay or cancel travel plans on Thursday. Call 511 or go to www.511wi.gov for the latest road conditions across Wisconsin. You can also go to our website for a regional travel map which covers North and South Dakota, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Michigan, Missouri and Wisconsin. <http://readywisconsin.wi.gov/511/default.asp>. Make sure you plan extra time if you travel. Roads may become icy and snow packed. Also, keep at least a half tank of gas in your vehicle in case of an emergency and let friends and family know where you are traveling to and when you should arrive.
- **Get supplies for your home.** Make sure your home emergency kit is stocked with food that can be stored and eaten without electricity, in case there is a power outage. Also, make sure you have extra water, flashlights with extra batteries and medications. For a complete list of kit items go to our website: <http://readywisconsin.wi.gov/kit/GetKit.asp>
- **Stay informed.** ReadyWisconsin will keep you posted on any emergencies that occur during the storm. Follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/readywisconsin) or Twitter (www.twitter.com/readywisconsin) for updates.